

INVADING FORCES APPROACH SULTAN

Investing Army Begins Its Advance Upon the Capital of Turkey

FATE OF THE RULER NOT YET DETERMINED

People of City Thrown Into Panic by Report That Fight- ing Is Inevitable

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✱ CONSTANTINOPLE, April
✱ 24.—Heavy rifle firing has been
✱ in progress since 5 o'clock this
✱ morning, with the occasional
✱ rattle of the artillery surround-
✱ ing the Yildiz Kiosk. Indica-
✱ tions are that an engagement is
✱ in progress between the advanc-
✱ ing Saloniki troops and the Yil-
✱ diz garrison.

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 23.—The advance of the concentrated army investment began today. While the favored troops of the Constantinople garrison were giving homage to the sun on Yildiz hill, there was a forward movement of the Constitutional forces to within two and a half miles of the Yildiz kiosk.

A party of fifty American tourists just arrived, were turned back by the horsemen. Infantry was then observed advancing and rumors spread throughout the city that the army was about to enter the capital and fighting was inevitable.

Great Panic Caused.

There was a great panic. Shopkeepers in a large part of Pera put up the shutters. British Ambassador Lowthion was caught in the swirling crowd near the embassy and hundreds of frantic persons poured into the embassy compound, imploring asylum. The gates of the embassy were closed with difficulty but it was late in the afternoon before the refugees were assured and sent homeward.

The outposts of the invaders remained within about two miles of the palace to night. On that side the city is entirely open, the fortifications having been planned to resist an approach by water.

It is impossible to say just what are the intentions of the leader of the Constitutionalists, who are divided into two factions, the radical and the conservative. Evidently the constitutionalists are divided regarding the attitude toward parliamentary deputies, who met at St. Stefano today, seem to favor his deposition; but the splendid reception accorded the sultan today on his appearance in public was a graphic demonstration of the fact that he retains a strong hold on the hearts of the people. He was accompanied by his sons on his way from the gate of the palace to the mosque outside the walls of Yildiz-kiosk.

No Mercy Promised.

No guarantees of any kind have been given to the sultan by the Constitutionalists, either with regard to his retention of the throne or the security of his person. The Constitutionalists have practical control of the government and are taking a passive attitude toward the sultan. Tewfik Pasha, grand vizier and his associates have agreed to carry out the wishes of parliament.

Gen. Mahmud Scheffer, who in telegram to the grand vizier today styled himself commander-in-chief of the army, has been invested with Ottoman fleet, is now almost in supreme authority. In his communication published tonight as a proclamation Gen. Scheffer said:

"Owing to recent corruption among the imperial guard, the power of government and the capital was completely annihilated. In order to restore and consolidate the authority of the government, dispatched troops to Constantinople and placed one at the head of these forces and also of the navy. Soldiers will be recruited and the soldiers will be paid, but those continuing to rebel will

Dethronement Not Wanted.
 "Certain guilty individuals, apprehending chastisement, have spread reports that the army of investment purposes to dethrone the sultan. I absolutely deny these allegations. If during the operations agitators attempt to provoke troubles they will be held responsible."

to Eski Shehr and other points across the railway leading from Constantinople to capture refugees.

Tomorrow is pay day for the Constantinople troops. Yesterday the treasury department was without sufficient funds and it was considered dangerous by the cabinet to leave the soldiers unpaid, because of the possibility of riots and looting. As a final resort, the minister of war hastily summoned the officials of the tobacco monopoly and some of

the leading bankers, who have arranged to provide funds.

Later reports from Adana show appalling distress. About 15,000 persons are homeless and starving and thousands of orphans are to be provided for. In a comparatively small community nineteen Protestant pastors have been killed. The loss of wheat and the damage of flour mills cause high prices.

Reuter will not distinguish respectability of race and creed by a commission of Moslems and Christians residing in the city by the missionary, Mr. Chambers, who has had much experience with relief work at former Armenian massacres, and under the supervision of the British consuls.

The central government is trying to provide shelter and food for the refugees, but foreign help is urgently

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WHERE ROOSEVELT WILL HUNT IN DARK CONTINENT

Only a few months ago Winston Churchill, under-secretary of state for the colonies of Great Britain, completed an exploration and hunting trip in Africa that took him over precisely the same ground that ex-President Theodore Roosevelt will cover during the month that he is in

during the months that he is in the dark continent. Mr. Church has written, in his entertaining way, the more striking of the travel and his own

of the travel and big game hunting adventures that befel him during the course of his African journey. These befel him, as already said, along the same route that Mr. Roosevelt will travel. Therefore, the seven

African articles by Mr. Churchill that The Tribune begins publishing tomorrow will give the reader a very good and vivid

idea of what is in store for Mr. Roosevelt as he follows Mr. Churchill on the various stages of his journey from Mombasa, through the heart of the jungle and big game coun-

try, to Khartoum, on the Nile, where civilization will be reached once more. In Sunday's article Mr. Churchill describes in interesting detail the scenes and experiences that are in store

for Mr. Roosevelt as he travels from the seacoast to the town of Nairobi, where he will establish his first headquarters for the hunting of big game. This series of articles will appear only

in The Sunday Tribune. You will want to read them. Better order today. Call either phone

ALHOUN WILL TURN GUNS ON GALLAGHER

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Monday. In submitting to the jury what was declared to be conclusive evidence of perjury on Gallagher's part, the defense referred repeatedly to the places wherein the testimony of Gallagher was at variance with vital

**PETER F. COLLIER IS
SUDDENLY SUMMONED**

NEW YORK, April 23.—Peter F. Collier, founder and publisher of Collier's Weekly, died suddenly tonight of a heart attack at the Riding club. Mr. Collier's illness came on suddenly and he died before a physician could reach him. He was the founder, chief

He was the founder, editor and editor of Collier's Weekly, as he was associated with his son, Robert J. Collier, who, with his wife, survives. He came to New York more than thirty years ago, when he started the publishing house.

passed a large fortune.

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